

"The Terror Finance Tracking Program." Testimony was heard from Stuart Levey, Under Secretary, Terrorism and Financial Intelligence, Department of the Treasury.

#### PHARMACEUTICAL SUPPLY CHAIN SECURITY

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Criminal Justice, Drug Policy, and Human Resources held a hearing entitled "Pharmaceutical Supply Chain Security." Testimony was heard from Randall W. Lutter, Acting Associate Commissioner, Policy and Planning, FDA, Department of Health and Human Services; Kevin Delli-Colli, Deputy Assistant Director, Financial and Trade Investigations Division, Office of Investigations, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

#### TASK FORCE TO IMPROVE FEDERAL EMPLOYEE APPEALS

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on Federal Workforce and Agency Organization held a hearing entitled "Establishing a Task Force to Improve Federal Employee Appeals." Testimony was heard from Neil A.G. McPhie, Chairman, Merit Systems Protection Board; William Tobey, Deputy Solicitor, Federal Labor Relations Authority; Cari M. Dominguez, Chair, EEOC; Scott Bloch, Special Counsel, Office of Special Counsel; Nancy H. Kichak, Associate Director, Strategic Human Resource Policy Division, OPM; Scot Beckenbaugh, Acting Deputy Director, Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service; and public witnesses.

#### IRAQ NATIONAL VICTORY STRATEGY

*Committee on Government Reform:* Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats and International Relations held a hearing entitled "The Evolving National Strategy for Victory in Iraq." Testimony was heard from David M. Walker, Comptroller General, GAO; Ambassador James Jeffrey, Senior Advisor on Iraq to the Secretary, and Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Middle East, Department of State; BG Michael Jones, USA, Deputy Director, Political Military Affairs, Joint Chiefs of Staff, Department of Defense; Kenneth Katzman, Specialist in Middle East Affairs, CRS, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

#### CHEMICAL FACILITY ANTI-TERRORISM ACT

*Committee on Homeland Security:* Subcommittee on Economic Security, Infrastructure Protection, and Cybersecurity approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 5695, Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Act of 2006.

#### BALLAST WATER MANAGEMENT/REDUCTION SHIP AIR POLLUTION

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure:* Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing on a proposal regarding Ballast Water Management and Reduction of Air Pollution from Ships. Testimony was heard from RADM Brian M. Salerno, USCG, Director, Inspection and Compliance, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security; Timothy R.E. Kenney, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Oceans and Atmosphere, NOAA, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

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#### NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST, p. D742)

H.R. 4912, to amend section 242 of the National Housing Act to extend the exemption for critical access hospitals under the FHA program for mortgage insurance for hospitals. Signed on July 10, 2006. (Public Law 109-240)

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#### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 2006

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

##### Senate

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Frederic S. Mishkin, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Linda Mysliwy Conlin, of New Jersey, to be First Vice President, and J. Joseph Grandmaison, of New Hampshire, to be a Member of the Board of Directors, both of the Export-Import Bank of the United States, Geoffrey S. Bacino, of Illinois, to be a Director of the Federal Housing Finance Board, and Edmund C. Moy, of Wisconsin, to be Director of the Mint, Department of the Treasury, 10:30 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* business meeting to consider the nomination of Marc Spitzer, of Arizona, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 11:30 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Finance:* to hold hearings to examine S. 3495, to authorize the extension of nondiscriminatory treatment (normal trade relations treatment) to the products of Vietnam, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine development effectiveness of infrastructure projects relating to multilateral development banks, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine S. 660, to provide for the acknowledgement of the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina, 9:30 a.m., SD-106.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* to hold hearings to examine immigration issues, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* to hold hearings to examine strengthening participation of small

businesses in Federal contracting and innovation research programs, 10:30 a.m., SR-428A.

*Select Committee on Intelligence*: to hold a closed briefing on intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

### House

*Committee on Armed Services*, hearing on standards of military commissions and tribunals, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce*, hearing entitled “No Child Left Behind: Ensuring High Academic Achievement for Limited English Proficient Students and Students with Disabilities,” 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce*, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 4591, Stockholm and Rotterdam Toxics Treaty Act of 2005; H.R. 2567, Antifreeze Bittering Act of 2005; and H.R. 5337, Reform of National Security Reviews of Foreign Direct Investments Act, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services*, Subcommittee on Financial Institutions and Consumer Credit, hearing entitled “ILCs—A Review of Charter, Ownership, and Supervision Issues,” 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Diversity: The GAO Perspective,” 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform*, Subcommittee on Energy and Resources, hearing entitled “Can the U.S. Electric Grid Take Another Hot Summer?” 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security*, Subcommittee on Management, Integration, and Oversight, hearing entitled “Federal 9/11 Assistance to New York: Lessons Learned in Fraud Detection, Prevention, and Control, Part I, Response,” 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary*, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 2965, Federal Prison Industries Competition

in Contracting Act of 2005; H.R. 1704, Second Chance Act of 2005; H.R. 1369, To prevent certain discriminatory taxation of natural gas pipeline property; H.R. 4772, Private Property Rights Implementation Act of 2005; and H.R. 4132, Law Enforcement Cooperation Act of 2005, 10:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources*, Subcommittee on Water and Power, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 3558, Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Equitable Compensation Amendments Act of 2005; H.R. 5282, Southern California Desert Region Integrated Water and Economic Sustainability Plan Act; H.R. 5299, Fort McDowell Indian Community Water Rights Settlement Revision Act of 2006; and H.R. 5715, To make amendments to the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Rules*, to consider H.R. 9, Fannie Lou Hamer, Rosa Parks, and Coretta Scott King Voting Rights Act Reauthorization and Amendments Act of 2006, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Aviation, oversight hearing entitled “Reforming the Wright Amendment,” 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management, hearing on the Reauthorization of the Appalachian Regional Commission and proposals to Create Additional Regional Economic Development Authorities, 1 p.m., 2253 Rayburn.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs*, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 5038, Veterans' Memorial Marker Act of 2006; and H.R. 2963, Dr. James Allen Disabled Veterans Equity Act, 4 p.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, hearing on the implementation of the U.S.-Peru Trade Promotion Agreement, 10:30 a.m., 1100 Longworth.